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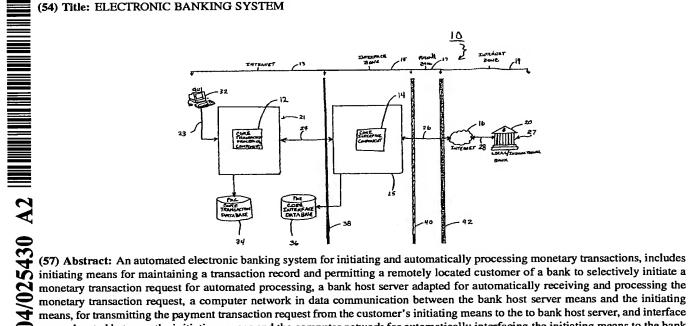
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means, for transmitting the payment transaction request from the customer's initiating means to the to bank host server, and interface means located between the initiating means and the computer network for automatically interfacing the initiating means to the bank host server, and for converting the monetary transaction request into a readable form compatible with the bank host server, wherein the customer's initiating means periodically receives in response from the bank host server confirmation data for permitting the initiating means to automatically reconcile the transaction record on a daily basis. The present invention is further directed to a method for an automatic electronic banking system for permitting a customer of a bank to remotely authorize and request a computerized monetary transaction to be made by their bank.

